

May 19, 2020

Council Chambers
Vigo County Annex
Terre Haute, Indiana

Roll Call:

Present: Brad Anderson, Judy Anderson and Brendan Kearns

Others Present: County Attorney Michael Wright, Auditor James Bramble, Tammy York-Allen, Larry Robbins, Scott Swan, Kylissa Miller, Ryan Wickens and Kara Wright.

Pledge of Allegiance.

President Brad Anderson then turned the meeting over to County Attorney Michael Wright.

Consideration of Copier Lease Agreements - Vigo County Prosecutor's Office. Mr. Wright had two lease agreements from the Prosecutor's office that they negotiated for the Prosecutor's Office and the Child Support Division. The monthly base rate for the Prosecutor's Office is \$375.20 and \$164.62 for the Child Support Office. They do have the money for the leases in their budget but since the term was for longer than one year, it is necessary that they have the approval of the County Commissioners. **Motion:** Approve copier leases for the Prosecutor's Office and Child Support Office. **Moved by:** Brendan Kearns. **Seconded by:** Judy Anderson. **Passed:** all ayes.

Consideration of Commercial Right of Entry Agreement – Vigo County Sheriff's Office. Mr. Wright presented a Right of Entry Agreement from Spectrum to come in and do a replacement on their main fiber line for the state computer-aided dispatch system. There is no cost since it is an upgrade. This agreement just allows them to come in and access the current line and refit the new one. Judy Anderson questioned whether Spectrum would be responsible for any damages, etc. caused by them and Mr. Wright responded in the affirmative. Brendan Kearns questioned when this would take place and Mr. Wright was unsure of a specific date. The Commissioners expressed that they wanted it understood by Spectrum that any of their employees coming in to do the upgrade would be required to be masked because that area is highly sensitive. **Motion:** Approve the Right of Entry Agreement for Spectrum. **Moved by:** Brendan Kearns. **Seconded by:** Judy Anderson. **Passed:** all ayes.

Consideration of Request to vacate Alley – Vigo County GIS/Plat Mapping. Ryan Wickens was appearing on behalf of Plat Mapping/GIS and presented a request for an alley vacation in Blackhawk. The property has a detached garage and is located at 12957 State Road 159. The applicant is Teresa A. Smith. She owns the real estate on both sides of the alley and proper notice has been given to the adjacent owner. Attorney Wright advised that he had no concerns since the area was undeveloped. A brief discussion made it clear that approval today would

vacate the alley and bring the matter to an end. **Motion:** Approve the alley vacation. **Moved by:** Judy Anderson. **Seconded by:** Brendan Kearns. **Passed:** all ayes. Mr. Wickens then stated that two other vacations had been submitted, one being for the Dollar General in New Goshen. Since there was some confusion on when the meeting date was going to be and notice had yet to be provided, they would like for this matter to be heard at the June 9 meeting. Mr. Wickens also questioned whether it would be necessary to re-run the legal notice and Mr. Wright advised that such would not be necessary. Therefore, this will be put on the agenda for June 9,

Commissioner Brad Anderson asked Mr. Wright whether we had anything from Mary Cramer. Mr. Wright advised that he had spoken with her by phone both yesterday and Friday. The artist has not yet seen the contract. Ms. Cramer plans to forward it to the artist and make sure that everybody who needs to review has had an opportunity to comment on it.

Review of Minutes/Claims. Auditor James Bramble presented the Board with expenditures for the period of May 9, 2020 through May 15, 2020 in the amount of \$367,233.21 and payroll in the amount of \$971,872.57 for a total amount of \$1,339,105.78. **Motion:** Approve the claim packet. **Moved by:** Brendan Kearns. **Seconded by:** Judy Anderson. **Passed:** all ayes.

Auditor James Bramble presented the Board with meeting minutes dated May 12, 2020 for approval. **Motion:** Approve minutes. **Moved by:** Judy Anderson. **Seconded by:** Brendan Kearns. **Passed:** all ayes.

Comment from Vigo County Commissioners. Commissioner Kearns asked about the Open Door Law. A lengthy discussion followed regarding live streaming and business conducted that might invite public comment and how to make sure that the public had the opportunity to see an agenda in advance and email any questions/comments that they wanted to make/ask. Mr. Bramble advised that the Council had an email address to direct comments/questions. It was decided that the same action could be taken for these meetings by emailing to county.commissioners@vigocounty.in.gov. It was reiterated that as of now, the building is still closed to the public and that as of now, the building will reopen, with limitations, next Tuesday, May 26.

A question was then raised regarding early voting and election day. Brendan Kearns addressed the proposal of how that will be handled regarding where and how the public will be allowed to come in to vote and that there will be no access to other parts of the building except by employees. Discussions with the Vigo County Clerk are ongoing in this respect. During further discussion of this matter, it was decided that the Commissioner meeting scheduled for May 26 will be cancelled because of early voting being held here in this Council Chambers. No meeting will be held on June 2 due to Election Day. The next meeting will be held on June 9, 2020 unless something arises that will require a special meeting in the interim.

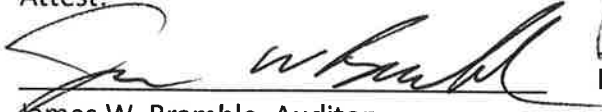
There being no further business, it is now ordered the Board be recessed at 9:25 a.m.



Brad Anderson, President

Judith Anderson, Vice President

Attest:



James W. Bramble, Auditor



Brendan Kearns, Secretary